



GOLD Armenia Challenge 2009

Welcome to our Armenian Challenge Badge!
We hope you have fun completing the activities within this challenge and learn a bit about Armenia along the way.

The money raised from this challenge badge will go towards our trip to Armenia in Summer 2009. All you have to do is complete a set number of challenges from each section. Once you have completed them you can display your badge with pride. Badges cost £1, with all profits going towards fundraising for our GOLD trip to Armenia. Badges must be ordered by the end of June 2009 but the challenge can be completed after this date.

A group of 6 Guiders are going to Armenia summer 2009 as part of GOLD: Guiding Overseas Linked with Development. GOLD is an exciting scheme which allows members of Girlguiding UK to travel and work on community action projects in partnership with the local guiding association in that country. It is also an opportunity to develop new skills, experience a new culture and make new friends.

To earn the badge members must complete a number of challenges from each section:

Rainbows	1 challenge from each section
Brownies	5 challenges; at least one from each section
Guides	6 challenges; at least one from each section
Senior Section and adult members	8 challenges; 2 from each section

Badges will be delivered by second class post as soon as they are available.

If you need any more information feel free to email me on heather.wilson@arup.com

Thank you for your help and support in completing this challenge and helping us raise money towards our GOLD project. We hope you enjoyed the challenge!

Badge order form

Badges must be ordered by June 2009 and cost £1 each plus postage.

Name:

Unit:

Address to send badges to:

Contact telephone/email:

Number of badges required:

Postage and packaging is:
 50p for less than 25 badges
 £1 for 25-50 badges
 £1.50 for 50-75 badges
 £2 for 75-100 badges
 £2.50 for more than 100 badges

Total cost (number of badges at £1 each plus postage):

Please make cheques payable to Justine Walker and return your form and payment to Justine Walker, 87 Watermint Drive, Copeland Park, Tuffley GL4 0SZ. Thank you!



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Section 1: Culture

- o Live music is very popular in Armenia - can you make your own live music as a group using some musical instruments? If you don't have any instruments try making your own and then you can make your own music.
- o Shepherds move from their normal homes to villages up the mountains where there is lots of grass for their animals in the summer. If you had your own summer house what would it look like? Where would it be? Draw some pictures to show your dream summer house.
- o Armenia has many folk tales- stories which are very old and told lots of times so that people remember them rather than write them down. The folk tales are exciting and often adventurous; can you write your own story and tell it to your group?
- o Many Armenians don't live in Armenia any more due to things that have happened in the past. If you were leaving your home town what things would you miss and what things would you be happy to leave behind?
- o Armenians have their own language and alphabet. Can you spell out your name using the Armenian alphabet? Try spelling out your Patrol/Six's names, your family's names, or the place where you live.

Section 2: Guiding

- o Summers are very hot in Armenia but winters are very cold. Can you design a uniform that can be worn all year round, so that you won't get too hot in summer but will keep warm in winter?
- o Can you find out what the Armenian Guide promise is? Search on www.worldguiding.net
- o Can you make your own Armenian Guide Badge, for example as a collage, as a magnet using funky foam, from card or using Shrinkles?
- o A wordsearch of the programme areas.
- o Find out 5 things about Guiding in Armenia and make an advertisement for people to join - as a role play/sketch or a poster.

Section 3: Food

- o Chocolate isn't common in Armenia- instead they have sweet treats of dried fruits. Try some dried fruits at your meeting; there are lots of different types - raisins, sultanas, apricots etc. Maybe you could make some mini sweets by mixing them with some chocolate.
- o Fresh vegetables are common in Armenia; can you make a salad that looks pretty with lots of fresh vegetables?
- o Knorovats are barbecued meats. Have a barbecue at one of your meetings and try some different meats- beef and lamb are common in Armenia. If you can't have a barbecue, try some meats cooked in a different way.
- o Baklava, a rich sweet pastry, are also eaten in Armenia. Try some of these at a meeting.
- o Try making kebabs with some meat and vegetables. What foods go well together?

Section 4: Craft

- o In Armenia there are relaxing mineral baths. Can you make your own bath salts to have your own relaxing bath? Maybe you could make them as a gift.
- o Miniaturisation and microsculpture are crafts that are common in Armenia; some things they make are so small you would need a microscope to see them. Can you make your own miniature model? You could maybe model your house or an animal, whatever you want but remember to make it miniature.
- o Armenia has many celebrations and festivals; they often have fireworks on these special days. If you could have a festival to celebrate anything what would it be and what would you do at it?
- o Armenia is the first Christian nation and Noah's Ark was said to have grounded on Mt Ararat after the flood. Can you make your own ship and see if it floats?
- o Armenians love their art and paint lots of pictures of local special things like mountains. Can you paint a picture of a local place which is special to where you live?



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The Armenian alphabet



The Armenian Guide badge

Armenian Guide programme wordsearch.
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 Scouting Family Society
 Learn yourself
 Art
 Nature
 Healthy Life
 World outlook
 Homemaker
 World around us

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